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Meeting held at Cleveland High School

**Question:** What types of goods, services, and employment would you like to see near the transit stations, in your local business districts and accessible to the community?

- Black businesses, youth center, parks, and businesses that are going to hire people in the community.
- Cheap food places, but healthy.
- Affordable grocery stores.
- We need more jobs for youth, especially seniors (high school). We have nothing to fall on if we're not going to college.
- Training for all different jobs--electrical, painters, etc.
- Black businesses; youth programs; stores.
- Services for poor families.
- Arcade; affordable stores; youth programs.
- Stores; mini mall.

**Question:** How do you use the parks and community centers in the city and what parks do you go to? If you don't go to city parks, what change would make you want to use the parks more?

- Teen center and more jobs.
- I usually go to the Boys and Girls and workout and play pool and chill.
- Mount Rainier I think it should be more fun (of a) thing and need to be safer. What if a kids walked off. Keep the bathroom clean.
- Indoor and Outdoor Pools. No double rims. Concession stands. New bathrooms. More lights.
- More summer jobs for youth (teens).
- I stay at home because a lot of the parks and community centers don't have anything in English. And there really isn't stuff for artist or authors.
- Community Centers I don't go to as much, but when it gets warm I'll go to the park.
- To play baseball.
- I live in Holly Park and the park over there has terrible building and all of the graffiti by those gang bangers. I think people should treat the park with more respect.
- There should be more community centers and places to make fun for kids.
- A safer environment.

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**Question:** What services are important to you as your neighborhood grows? What importance does this growth provide?

- A good service is a store like Zumez and GHY
- It provides good things in town and for rebuilding parks. And more career centers and rents so then we could have more skate parks.
- Outdoor services, food services, job skills services, more rent services and more housing services.
- More summer jobs.
- More chances to learn different languages besides French, Spanish, Chinese and Arabic. Most of my neighbors I think are Korean.
- Peace Security
- The people, the getting along. I think my neighborhood should have more nicer playgrounds, better basketball court, the high schools in Seattle should have more educations, books, and more stuff like more better after school projects.
- There will be no health care; transportation.
- Youth activities.
- Link rail
- Neighborhood watch.

**Question:** Who would be affected most by rising rents and home prices? Who should be trying to help from being displaced as new development follows light rail opening?

- My family and those who are already struggling.
- Minimum wage workers won't be able to afford housing or food for their kids and also Blacks. We the future should be trying to help.
- My family.
- Less housing for middle class and lower class people.
- Everybody who has money--income isn't good enough.
- Mothers and fathers. People that can't afford a lot.
- The minimum wage workers would be affected the most because they already aren't making enough.
- The people that live close & people that don't have a little bit of money.
- Our families are affected.
- Minorities, the lower class and maybe the middle class.
- Low income people, light the neighborhood.

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**Question:** What is the most important housing issue to address or solve in your neighborhood?

- The cost of living--people are already losing their homes.
- How the "state" is trying to build new condos that are more expensive and move the Blacks out to the South end of Seattle.
- The cost of living.
- Lower mortgages.
- New, expensive condos.
- Condos in area.
- The cost of buying a house.
- With the link light rail everything is going to rise in price and move all the diverse people out of the community.
- No more low income housing in my neighborhood. There's no affordable housing in my community anymore.
- Light rail.